

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA Department of Education

October 10, 2014

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction

## SUBJECT: Release of Spring 2014 Standards of Learning Tests in Spring 2015

The Virginia Department of Education is planning to release the following spring 2014 Standards of Learning (SOL) tests and item sets in spring 2015:

- Algebra I (Item Set)
- Algebra II (Item Set)
- Geometry (Item Set)
- Grade 5 Science (Item Set)
- Grade 8 Science (Item Set)
- Earth Science (Item Set)
- Biology (Item Set)
- Chemistry (Item Set)
- Grade 3 Reading
- Grade 4 Reading
- Grade 5 Reading
- Grade 6 Reading
- Grade 7 Reading
- Grade 8 Reading (Item Set)
- End-of-Course Reading
- Grade 8 Writing (Item Set)
- End-of-Course Writing

There will be a set of test items released from the 2014 end-of-course mathematics, end-of-course science, grade 5 science, grade 8 reading, and grade 8 writing tests as the bank cannot support a full release of these test forms.

Due to the potential impact of releasing tests on the item bank, the spring 2014 history and social science and the spring 2014 grades 3-8 mathematics tests will not be released in spring 2015.

If you have questions, please contact the student assessment staff by e-mail at <a href="Student Assessment@doe.virginia.gov">Student Assessment@doe.virginia.gov</a> or by phone at (804) 225-2102.

SRS/SLR/aw